

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF OREGON  
PORTLAND DIVISION

RENEY VALDEZ,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE,  
Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

CASE No. 10-657-BR

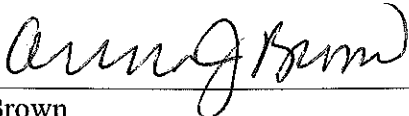
ORDER AWARDING  
FEES PURSUANT TO THE  
EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE  
ACT

It is hereby ORDERED that attorney fees in the amount of \$4,900.00 are awarded to Plaintiff pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA), 28 U.S.C. § 2412. The amount of this award shall be paid to Plaintiff's attorney upon verification that Plaintiff validly assigned these EAJA fees to his attorney and that Plaintiff has no debt which qualifies for offset against the award, pursuant to the Treasury Offset Program. See *Astrue v. Ratliff*, \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. \_\_\_\_\_ 30 S.Ct. 2521 (2010). If Plaintiff has no such debt and there is a valid assignment, then a check shall be made out to Plaintiff's attorney, and mailed to Plaintiff's attorney's office as follows: Rory J. Linerud, at P.O. Box 1105, Salem, OR 97308-1105. If Plaintiff has a debt, and/or if there is no valid assignment, then a check for any remaining funds, after any offset of the debt, shall be made to Plaintiff and mailed to Plaintiff's attorney's office at the address stated above.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2012.

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 *Jan 20, 2012*  
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Anna J. Brown  
United States District Court Judge

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